

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of evaluation final findings.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the availability of the final evaluation findings for the Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Washington, and American Samoa Coastal Management Programs, and the Apalachicola (Florida), and Rookery Bay (Florida) National Estuarine Research Reserves (NERRs). Sections 312 and 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, require a continuing review of the performance of coastal states with respect to approved coastal management programs and the operation and management of NERRs.

The States of Alabama, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Washington, and the Territory of American Samoa were found to be implementing and enforcing their Federally approved coastal management programs, addressing the national coastal management objectives identified in CZMA Section 303(2)(A)–(K), and adhering to the programmatic terms of their financial assistance awards. The State of Mississippi was found to be not fully adhering to its approved coastal zone program and is not implementing and enforcing the program in a satisfactory manner.

Apalachicola and Rookery Bay NERRs were found to be adhering to programmatic requirements of the NERR System. Copies of these final evaluation findings may be obtained upon written request from: Vickie Allin, Chief, Policy Coordination Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 713-3087x126.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog 11.419, Coastal Zone Management Program Administration)

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Telecommunications and Information Administration

#### Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters; Notice of Open Meeting

November 20, 1997.

**ACTION:** Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters, created pursuant to Executive Order 13038.

**SUMMARY:** The President established the Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters (PIAC) to advise the Vice President on the public interest obligations of digital broadcasters. The Committee will study and recommend which public interest obligations should accompany broadcasters' receipt of digital television licenses. The President designated the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to provide secretariat services for the Committee.

**AUTHORITY:** Executive Order 13038, signed by President Clinton on March 11, 1997.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Friday, December 5, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting is scheduled to take place in the Lounge of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 11th Floor, 811 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20571. This location is subject to change. If the location changes, another **Federal Register** notice will be issued. Updates about the location of the meeting will also be available on the Advisory Committee's homepage at [www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm) or you may call Karen Edwards at 202-482-8056.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Edwards, Designated Federal Officer and Telecommunications Policy Specialist, at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration; U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4716; 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.; Washington, DC 20230. Telephone: 202-482-8056; Fax: 202-482-8058; E-mail: [piac@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:piac@ntia.doc.gov).

**Media Inquiries:** Please contact Paige Darden at the Office of Public Affairs, at 202-482-7002.

#### Agenda

Friday, December 5

Opening remarks

Briefings on the perspectives and experiences of the public interest and broadcasting communities, and on digital technology

Public Comment

Committee Business

Closing Remarks

This agenda is subject to change. For an updated, more detailed agenda, please check the Advisory Committee homepage at [www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm).

**Public Participation:** The meeting will be open to the public, with limited seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. This meeting is physically

accessible to people with disabilities. Any member of the public requiring special services, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, should contact Karen Edwards at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting at 202-482-8056 or at [piac@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:piac@ntia.doc.gov). Please bring a form of picture identification such as a driver's license or passport for clearance into the building on the day of the meeting.

Any member of the public may submit written comments concerning the Committee's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments should be submitted through electronic mail to [piac@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:piac@ntia.doc.gov) (please use "Public Comment" as the subject line) or by letter addressed to the Committee at the address listed below (please place "Public Comment" on the bottom left of the envelope).

**Guidelines for Public Comment:** The Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters welcomes public comments. In general, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker and no more than thirty (30) minutes total at meetings. Written comments received from the public may be mailed (if at least thirty-five (35) paper copies are submitted) or forwarded by email to the committee members prior to the meeting date. However, comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to committee members at the meeting. Written comments received shortly after a meeting will be compiled and sent as briefing material prior to the next meeting.

**Obtaining Meeting Minutes:** Within thirty (30) days following the meeting, copies of the minutes of the meeting may be obtained over the Internet at [www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm), by phone request at 202-501-6195, or by written request to Karen Edwards; Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters; National Telecommunications and Information Administration; U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4716; 14th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W.; Washington, DC 20230.

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